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**RESPONSE TO MISSING REQUIREMENTS**  
**UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

SIR:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) (mailed May 26, 2006), Applicants submit herewith a fully executed Declaration, in order to complete the filing requirements for the U.S. national phase of the above-identified PCT application. The application filed in the Patent Office is the application which the inventors executed by signing the Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements is also enclosed.

The Office is authorized to charge the \$130.00 fee to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

The Office is also hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 11-0600 with any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment. An additional copy of this letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/03/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 10/03/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 10/03/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/03/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 10/03/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 10/03/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 10/03/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 10/03/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 10/03/2005
- Non-English Language Application filed on 10/03/2005
- Specification filed on 10/03/2005
- Claims filed on 10/03/2005
- Abstracts filed on 10/03/2005
- Drawings filed on 10/03/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.

- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$330** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.
- The application examination fee has not been paid. Applicant must submit **\$200** to complete the examination fee for a non-small entity. Note a surcharge will be required if submitted later than commencement of the national stage (37 CFR 1.492(h)) and the basic national fee was not paid before July 1, 2005.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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